

Fresno, CA - Today, Congressman Jim Costa (CA-20) announced that the US Department of State is accepting applications for the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program 2006-2007 academic year.

“All eligible teachers should apply because this is a great opportunity to not only share, but also gain cultural knowledge,” Congressman Costa said.

The Fulbright Teacher Exchange program was initiated in 1946; since then numerous teachers have experienced life in another country. Many countries have participated over the years and for the upcoming academic year Argentina, Brazil, Estonia, Finland and Morocco are just a few of the exciting places to which educators can travel.

There are openings for administrators and teachers, alike, who qualify. The J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board is appointed by the President and selects participants. Interested U.S. educators must be a citizen, have a full-time position, be in at least the third year of full-time employment and be fluent in English. For more information please visit www.fulbrightexchanges.org.

“Through experiences teachers continue to learn, and share what they have learned, throughout their lives. Broadening the borders of our education is a great way to internationally connect ourselves to a world that is becoming more interdependent by the day,” Costa concluded.